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Application No.: 09/931,347  
Attorney Docket No.: 13DV-14035 (21635-0044)

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of NAGARAJ et al. )  
Serial No. 09/931,347 ) Group Art Unit: 1775  
Filed: August 16, 2001 ) Examiner: Jennifer C. McNeil  
For: ARTICLE HAVING AN IMPROVED PLATINUM-ALUMINUM-HAFNIUM  
PROTECTIVE COATING

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Mail Stop PETITION  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Madam:

Please consider the following Response for the above-referenced Application.

A) INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

**Amendments to the Specification – there are none.**

**Amendments to the Drawings – there are none.**

**Amendments to the Claims – begin on page 2 of this Amendment.**

**Remarks begin on page 6 of this Amendment.**